GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:534
ANSWERED ON:30.04.2008
SPECIAL ACCELERATED ROADS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME .
Meinya Dr. Thokchom

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the road-map for the Special Accelerated Roads Development Programme in the North-East (SARDP-NE) and the projects taken thereunder during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the funds allocated and spent therefrom under the Programme during the last three years and the current year, project-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry works in coordination with the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DONER) and the North Eastern Council for implementation of various projects under the SARDP-NE; and

(d) if so, the details thereof;

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 534 FOR ANSWER ON 30TH APRIL, 2008 ASKED BY DR. THOKCHOM MEINYA REGARDING SPECIAL ACCELERATED ROADS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

(a) Special Accelerated Road Development Programme in North East (SARDP-NE) has been formulated to improve the primary road network of the region with the objective of improving road connectivity to State capital & District Headquarter towns, remote & backward areas, international borders and strategic roads. The programme is divided in Phase 'A' and Phase 'B' covering construction/ upgradation of 2304 km and 6433 km length respectively. State-wise road length included in the programme is given in Annexure- I. Phase 'A' has been approved for implementation and Phase 'B' has been approved only for preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs). Implementation of Phase 'A' started from 2006-07 and the length of roads state-wise actually taken up for execution during 2006-07 and 2007-08 is given in Annexure-II.

(b) Each phase of SARDP-NE is treated as project. Funds allocated for the entire SARDP-NE and the expenditure incurred is given below:

(Rs in crore)

Year	Funds allocated for entire SARDP-NE	Phase 'A'	Phase 'B'	Expenditure	Total
2006-07	550	449.19	0.15	449.34	
2007-08	710	685.90	0.22	686.12	
2008-09	1200	-	-	-	

(c) & (d) Implementation of the programme is being got done by the Ministry through Border Roads Organisation, National Highways Authority of India and State Public Works Departments of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland & Sikkim. A High Powered Committee headed by Secretary, Road Transport & Highways with members from Ministries of Development of North Eastern Region (DONER), Finance, Statistics & Programme Implementation, Defence, Environment & Forests, Home Affairs, Planning Commission, Chairman, NHAI, Director General, Border Roads and State Governments of North Eastern Region has been set up to coordinate implementation of the programme and approve detailed estimates of sub-projects. Consultation with Ministry of DONER and the North Eastern Council is also held through the meetings taken at higher levels from time to time.